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MIRIAM LOWELL and SETH HEALEY, )  
Plaintiffs, )  
v. ) Case No. 5:19-cv-150  
VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF )  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, ("DCF"); )  
KENNETH SCHATZ, *Commissioner, DCF*; )  
KAREN SHEA, *Deputy Commissioner for*  
*the Family Services Division ("FSD")*, DCF; )  
CHRISTINE JOHNSON, *Deputy*  
*Commissioner for FSD, DCF*, EMILY )  
CARRIER, *District Director, DCF*; )  
CATHERINE CLARK, *Director,*  
*Commissioner's Registry Review Unit, DCF*; )  
KATHLEEN SMITH, *Family Services*  
*Supervisor, DCF*; CHRISTINE GADWAH,  
*Family Services Worker, DCF*; KATHLEEN )  
GREENMUN, *Substantiation Hearing*  
*Officer, DCF*; JOHN and JANE DOES 1–10, )  
Defendants. )

**ORDER SEEKING REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS**

By order dated November 18, 2019, the court stayed discovery until Plaintiffs completed the administrative review of DCF's substantiation determination. (Doc. 36.) A year later by order dated December 10, 2020, the court renewed this ruling. The court requests that Plaintiffs file a report with the court describing the current status of the administrative review process within 14 days. Defendants have 7 days thereafter to supplement the report if necessary.

Dated at Burlington, in the District of Vermont, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

  
Geoffrey W. Crawford, Chief Judge  
United States District Court